

ABSTRACT

A method and apparatus for mounting components such as stems to other components such as plugs is provided. In accordance with one example embodiment of the present invention, a method of connecting and locking a stem within a component includes the step of disposing the stem in a first end of a passage formed in the component. The method continues by deforming an end portion of the stem to permanently non-rotationally lock the stem within the passage of the component. The step of deforming includes pressing a coining device into a second end of the passage to engage with an end portion of the stem and configure the stem for permanent non-rotational mounting within the component.

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